

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. TAKAHASHI et al. Confirmation No.: 3101
Serial No.: 10/822,663
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For: AUTOMATIC ANALYZER
Group: 1797
Examiner: P. Kathryn Wright

REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 29, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2008, the period for reply thereto being extended three months to expire January 29, 2009, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.